

August 6th, 2013 Agenda / Discussion Sheet

Project type is determined through interagency consultation & guidance:

- **Exempt projects and non-federal projects:**
 - Projects meeting requirements of 40 CFR 93.126 or 93.128 --- as determined through interagency consultation
- **Nonexempt projects of air quality concern:**
 - Fit criteria under 40 CFR 93,123(b)(1); see March 2006 guidance for further clarification and examples --- as determined through interagency consultation
- **Nonexempt projects not of air quality concern:**
 - Projects that do not meet exempt criteria, but do not fit criteria under 40 CFR 93,123(b)(1) --- as determined through interagency consultation

Discussion Item 1: Interagency Consultation is required for all projects including exempt project suggest a screening process through email for “exempt” or “not of concern” projects.

- Send email with project description and details for review
- Give 3-5 business days for review of project type
- Lack of response is implied consent
- Send final completion email
- Document the request email, consultation agreement emails, and completion email

Projects of Air Quality Concern: The final rule and the guidance provide examples of projects “of air quality concern” subject to hot-spot analysis (refer to EPA factsheet).

- A project on a new highway that serves a significant volume of diesel truck traffic such as **>125,000 AADT and 8% or more diesel truck traffic**
- New exit ramps to connect a highway to a major freight terminal
- A new major bus terminal
- And more

Discussion Item 2: Agreement on developing general hot-spot screening process (refer to example provided in ADOT Working Paper 3, Section 8).

- Step 1: Project Identification
- Step 2: Exempt Status
- Step 3: Traffic Information
 - Determine Worst Case Area – Usually an Intersection
 - For Worst Case, Document Current Traffic and LOS
 - For Worst Case, Document Forecasted Traffic and LOS for Open-To-Traffic Date for:
 - ✓ Build, and
 - ✓ No-Action Scenarios
- Step 4: Air Quality Concern Determination
- Step 5: Analysis and Documentation
 - Modeling assumptions require consultation, will send project detail for interagency discussion (*See South Mountain Example*)
 - Mitigation measures requires written commitment, will send details for interagency discussion
- Step 6: Meetings, Notices, Dates
- Step 7: Submit for Conformity Approval